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APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Sir:

Enclosed for filing is the utility patent application of Yves Potin for A TIRE BEAD FACILITATING MOUNTING.

- ☒ Applicant(s) suggest(s) Figure 1 for inclusion on the front page of the patent application publication and patent.
- ☒ Applicant(s) requests that the published application include the following assignment information: Michelin Recherche Et Technique S.A., Route Louis Braille 10 et 12, CH-1763 Granges-Paccot, Switzerland.

Also enclosed are:

- ☒ 1 sheet(s) of drawings;
- ☒ a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 119 and/or 365 is ☒ hereby made to 02/15879 filed in France on December 11, 2002;
- ☒ in the declaration;
- ☒ a certified copy of the priority document;
- ☐ a General Authorization for Petitions for Extensions of Time and Payment of Fees;
- ☒ an Assignment document;
- ☒ an Information Disclosure Statement;
- ☐ a patent application data sheet; and
- ☒ Other: Preliminary Amendment.
- ☒ An ☒ executed ☐ unexecuted declaration of the inventor(s)
- ☒ also is enclosed ☐ will follow.
- ☐ Small entity status is hereby claimed.

[X] The filing fee has been calculated as follows [ ] and in accordance with the enclosed preliminary amendment:

C L A I M S					
	NO. OF CLAIMS		EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	FEE
Basic Application Fee					\$770.00 (1001)
Total Claims	8	MINUS 20 =	0	× \$18.00 (1202) =	0.00
Independent Claims	1	MINUS 3 =	0	× \$86.00 (1201) =	0.00
If multiple dependent claims are presented, add \$290.00 (1203)					0.00
Total Application Fee					770.00
If small entity status is claimed, subtract 50% of Total Application Fee					0.00
Add Assignment Recording Fee \$40.00 (8021) if Assignment document is enclosed					40.00
<b>TOTAL APPLICATION FEE DUE</b>					<b>810.00</b>

[ ] This application is being filed without a filing fee. Issuance of a Notice to File Missing Parts of Application is respectfully requested.

[X] A check in the amount of \$ 810.00 is enclosed for the fee due.

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[X] The Director is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

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